

DISCUSSION OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 14-27 and 31-40 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-13 and 28-30 are canceled claims. Claims 14-24 and 36-37 are presently withdrawn from active prosecution. Claim 25 is amended herein to include features of previously presented Claim 30. Claims 39 and 40 are new claims. Support for the new claims is found in the previously presented claims and on page 8, lines 5-13 of the specification.

No new matter is added.

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Office for withdrawing the rejections of the previous Office Action. The Office now rejects the claims as obvious over Glenn (U.S. 6,235,683). Applicants submit that the Glenn reference fails to disclose or suggest a surfactant-free aqueous suspension that includes particles of a polymer and/or particles of a metal. The presently-pending active claims are thus patentable over Glenn for the reason that the cited art fails to disclose or suggest all of the present claim limitations.

Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection and the allowance of all now-pending active claims.

REQUEST FOR REJOINDER

Upon finding allowable subject matter the Office is requested to kindly rejoin and allow the presently withdrawn claims which depend from Claim 25 (i.e., Claims 14-24 and 36-37). Applicants submit that rejoinder and allowance is appropriate because the presently withdrawn claims directly or indirectly depend from Claim 25.

For the reasons discussed above, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejections and the allowance of all now-pending claims.


Respectfully submitted,

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